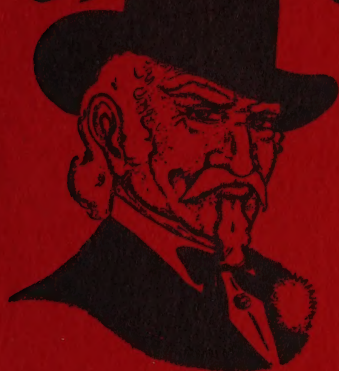


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True ease in writing comes from art, not
chance,
As those move easiest who have learned to
dance.
'Tis not enough no harshness gives offense
The sound must seem an echo the sense.

-- Alexander Pope

HONOR ROLL
Second Grading Period

12th Grade

Larry Jarvis
Diane Jennings
Mary Lou Lacefield
Teddy David Lisle
Raymond Katon

9th Grade

Georgia Deaton
Charlotte Edwards
LuAnn Holloway
Deborah Preston
Tommy Scoggins

11th Grade

Bonnie Sue Adams
Howard Carr
Ronnie Cook
B arry Cooper
Gary Mudd

8th Grade

Vicky Dale Collins
Jeffrey Curtis
Mike King
Michael Wagoner

Virgil Ritchie

Eugene Willis
James Whitehouse

7th Grade

Beverly Bungenstock
Karen Deaton
Charles Link
Libby Williams

10th Grade

Kevin Bailey
Linda Gay Beatty
Debra Huggins
June Jackson

Grades 7-12 must have an average of 88 or higher and no failing grades to be on the Honor Roll.

Pre-vocational

Regina Cox
Larry Lord
Terry Strader
Ricky French
Linda Lucās
Danny Camic

Pre-vocational

students must have
no more than one S
grade and no U grades
to be on the Honor
Roll, and an average
of 88 or above and no
grade lower than a B.

Primary

Donna Oechsle

Intermediate A

Kenneth W. Jones

Intermediate B

Debbie Cheek
Tim Potter

Intermediate C

Barbara Jean Coy
David P. Jackson
Virginia M. Madden

Elementary students must have no grade
lower than B to be on the Honor Roll.

HONOR ROLL

Third Grading Period

12th Grade

Larry Jarvis
Diane Jennings
Raymond Katon
Mary L. Laceifeld
Teddy Lisle

11th Grade

Bonnie Sue Adams
Howard Carr
Ronnie Cook
Barry Cooper
Gary Mudd
3 James Whitehouse

10th Grade

Kevin Bailey
Linda Beatty
Debra Huggins
June Jackson
Brenda Richardson

9th Grade

Georgia Deaton
Charlotte Edwards
LuAnn Holloway
Deborah Preston
Tommy Scoggins

8th Grade

Vicky Dale Collins
Jeffrey Curtis
Mike King
Ronald Sanders
Michael Wagoner

7th Grade

Beverly Bungenstock
Karen Deaton
Charles Link
Libby Williams

Grades 7-12 must have an average of 88 or higher and no failing grades to be on the Honor Roll.

Pre-Vocational Students

Terry Strader

Regina Cox

Billie Jean Gilliam

Larry Lord

Linda Lucas

Amy Steioff

Pre-vocational

students must have no more than one S grade and no U grades to be on the Honor Roll, and an average of 88 or higher and no grade lower than a B.

Primary

Michael Shoenbachler

Donna Oechsle

Intermediate A

Kenneth Jones

Intermediate B

Lebbie Cheek

Intermediate C

Barbara Jean Coy

David Jackson

Virginia Madden

Elementary students must have no grade lower than B to be on the Honor Roll.

HONOR ROLL

Fourth Grading Period

12th Grade

Larry Jarvis

Diane Jennings

Mary Lou Lacefield

Teddy Lisle

11th Grade

Bonnie Sue Adams

Howard Carr

Barry Cooper

Gary Mudd

10th Grade

Kevin Bailey

Linda Gay Beatty

Debra Huggins

June Jackson

Brenda Richardson

9th Grade

Georgia Deaton
Charlotte Edwards
LuAnn Holloway
Deborah Preston
Tommy Scoggins
William Shown

7th Grade

Darrell L. Buford
Beverly Bungenstock
Karen Deaton
Charles Link
Libby Williams

Pre-Vocational

Daniel Camic
Terry Strader
Regina Cox
Billie Jean Gilliam
Gladys Younts
Larry Lord
Ricky French
Linda Lucas
Shelia Chapman

8th Grade

Vicky Dale Collins
Jeffrey Curtis
Mike King
Ronald Sanders
Michael Wagoner

Grades 7-12 must have
an average of 88 or
higher and no failing
grades to be on the
honor Roll.

Pre-vocational

students must have no
U grades to be on the
Honor Roll, and an
average of 88 or
above and no grade
lower than a B.

Primary

Donna Oechsle

Michael Shoenbachler

Intermediate B

Debbie Cheek

Kathy Stokes

Intermediate A

Milford Haycraft

Kenneth W. Jones

Melissa Kay Reed

JoAnn Stewart

Intermediate C

Barbara Jean Coy

David P. Jackson

Elementary students must have no grade lower than B to be on the Honor Roll.

BASIC EDUCATION FACILITIES

(The following information was furnished us by Jimmy Whitehouse, a student reporter. According to Mr. Howser, Governor Nunn has released information on the issuance of a bond to finance needed new building at this school.

This will include a new music department staff offices, library space, and other additions.

The plan is to remodel Gregory Gymnasium adding a new structure on to it.

We hope the proposed construction will prove beneficial to all concerned.

Editorial Staff

COMINGS AND GOINGS

Welcome New Students

Everyone at KSB is happy to welcome the new students who have come to school since the last issue of The Kentucky Colonel was published. We hope you are as glad to be here as we are to have you.

Listed below are some statistics about these seven new students.

Kindergarten: David Earl Greer; Bowling Green, Kentucky.

Intermediate A: Teresa Ann Parker; Louisville, Kentucky.

Intermediate C: Daniel Shepherd; Paintsville, Kentucky.

8th Grade: Thomas Erwin; Valley Station, Kentucky.

9th Grade: William Shown; Louisville, Kentucky and Harold Turner; Morganfield, Kentucky.

11th Grade: Felix Turner; Morganfield, Kentucky.

June Jackson

10th Grade

Faculty News

Mrs. Sue Perslow has left the faculty of K.S.B. and is now living in Sweden. Her husband, Johan Perslow, was going to college in Louisville; now that he has completed his courses, they have returned to his country.

On their arrival in Sweden, they were greeted by twenty below zero temperatures and between four and five feet of snow. We wish Mr. & Mrs. Perslow success in Sweden, and if they can dig out of their home, we hope they will visit us.

Gary Mudd
11th Grade

New Counselor for K.S.B.

We are happy to welcome Mr. Fred Gissoni, our new Rehabilitation Counselor.

Mr. Gissoni was born in New Jersey. He is a graduate of Closter High School and has also attended Rutgers University, New York University, and the University of Kentucky. He has done rehabilitation work for fourteen years--seven years as a job placement counselor and seven years as

a home teacher. . He has taught two courses for the Hadley School for the Blind in addition to several at the University of Kentucky.

Mr. Gissoni's hobbies include reading, swimming, and amateur radio. He also writes for Dialogue, a magazine by and for the visually handicapped. His family consists of his wife, Betty, and two dachshunds, Tenka Ichi and Bubbles.

Mary Lou Lacefield
12th Grade

New Face In Empty Space

Last time I looked, room 305, which had been Mr. Herrick's and Janell Suprgeon's office, had a new look. His desk was gone as was Janell's. As you know, Mr. Herrick has gone to direct the Rehabilitation Center on Brownsboro Road just behind the school. This accounts for the empty space. Now for the new face.

Unfortunately, I do not have a new face. It's the same one I've had to wear for the past 40 years, with normal modifications brought about by the process of living. Anyway this is my devious way of

telling you that I am the fellow who will be taking Mr. Herrick's place. The only thing is that my place is in a different location. The Rehabilitation Office formerly in room 305 now is in the old Ky. Industries for the Blind building at 2001 Frankfort Avenue. I would tell you the telephone number, but we don't have a phone yet. Like the mills of the gods those of government also grind exceedingly slow.

This was supposed to have been a sort of "Hello, I am glad to be able to work with you and I am sure we will get along just fine" type of message. You all know Janell Spurgeon from her work in 305--and through out K.S.B. I've been in and out of the school--both old and new buildings--for the past 14 years. So it's a little late for me to start saying hello.

Nevertheless, I do hope I will be able to bring to those K.S.B. students who will be Rehabilitation clients the kind and quality of service I would like to have if I were in their place. To say more would be to over do it. So, even if it is a little late, hello and do feel free to come up to 2001 or ask me to come to you if there is anything we can do together to

"get our collective show on the road."

Fred L. Gissoni

Congratulations

The seventh grade class lost a favorite member. Fortunately, she didn't go far. Congratulations, Beverly Bungenstock on being transferred to the eight grade. We all miss you.

Karen Deaton
7th Grade

VALENTINE'S DAY

The custom of celebrating Valentine's Day is an old one with an interesting history. It was given this name to honor three different martyrs whose feast day is celebrated on February 14th.

One "Saint Valentine" was a Roman priest and doctor who is buried in a cemetery named for him. Another, a bishop, is believed to have been beheaded in Rome in 275 A.D. The other saint lived in Africa, and little is known about him.

There are several explanations for the custom of sending greeting cards and exchanging love tokens on Valentine's Day. Most of these are probably inaccurate.

One old custom connected with the celebration of Valentine's Day was the drawing

of lots in order to decide which young men and women would be each other's "valentine" for the coming year. The couples chosen would exchange gifts and sometimes they even became engaged.

The modern Valentine's Day is celebrated in the United States by school children and enjoys a limited popularity in England.

Melissa Compton
10th Grade

CLUB HAPPENINGS

Intermediate C's Health Club

Intermediate C has started a Health Club. The purpose of this club is to talk about matters of health such as first aid, safety, appearance, disease, harmful drugs and diets.

The officers of our Health Club are as follows:

President - Doug Ward
Vice-President - Virginia Madden
Secretary - Barbara Coy

Barbara Coy and
Virginia Madden
Intermediate C

Cardinals to "Ole Kentucky Home"

The Kentucky Cardinal History Club visited My Old Kentucky Home State Park in Bardstown, Kentucky. Judge John Rowan, a United States Senator and a member of Kentucky's Court of Appeals, built this stately home, Federal Hill in 1795.

In 1852 his young cousin from Pittsburgh, Stephen Collins Foster, visited Federal Hill. While there he wrote the famous song "My Old Kentucky Home." We hear this song played every year before the running of the Kentucky Derby. When the horses come out and this song is played, the Kentuckians get a special thrill. It has often been said that the song will make chills run up the spine.

We loved our visit especially going through the house, looking around outside, and visiting the family graveyard.

Our trip was ended with a delicious lunch which was prepared especially for us at the Talbott Tavern. It was surely good.

We all enjoyed the trip.

Charles Link
7th Grade
President.

Kentucky Traditions

Our history club is working on several different projects at this time. Some of these are collecting old recipes, getting the history of old buildings, getting history of the city of Louisville, and taking pictures of buildings that are of interest.

The people who are working on recipes are going to sell them when they get enough. They will be in both braille and print and will be made into a cook book.

Karen Deaton
7th Grade

THE CLOCK

The following poem by an unknown author was submitted by Rickie French of Jr. High Class Section I.

The Clock of life is wound but once,
And no man has the power
To tell just when the hands will stop
At late or early hour.
To lose one's wealth is sad indeed;
To lose one's health is more.
To lose one's soul is such a loss
That no man can restore.

--Unknown

OUR CLASS MASCOT

Our class has had a mascot now for some time. When it first came, we were mixed up on its name. We soon decided to name it Bird. It is a yellow canary.

Our class is taking turns caring for the bird. The way we do this is by giving it water and food every so often and putting a clean piece of paper in its cage every other day. The way we decided to choose people for cleaning the bird cage was by drawing names. Estill Simpson and Emma Huffman are glad to announce that they enjoy the job.

We all enjoy our classroom mascot and hope to have it a little while longer.

Linda Lucas
Jr. High Section I

LEARNING FOR EARNING

Generally the last typing course for KSB students is what is referred to as office machines or business machines. In point of fact, however, what is involved is learning to take dictation from the Edison Voicewriter. This is a small

machine using 7-inch sound sheets on which letters and/or memoranda have been pre-recorded. The student listens and types what he hears.

From the student's point of view, this course is important because, unlike transcribing from braille, it allows him to increase both speed and accuracy. To a professional typist the possession of these skills saves much time, and to a businessman time is money.

We consider this a vital course for anyone wishing to acquire skill in typing with the possibility of a well-paid position.

Teddy Lisle and
Liane Jennings
12th Grade

AN EARLY MORNING MISTAKE

Our newest building here at KSB is the food service center.

As we moved in, most people (students as well as adults) had the idea that this new dining system would not work as well as the original one.

Some people felt that since there would be so many of us eating together, and since many of us were totally blind, there

would be much confusion in orientation.

I suppose we have all had a certain number of embarrassing accidents, but certainly not as many as you might think.

This is the most embarrassing incident that has ever happened to me:

One morning I went to the food center to eat breakfast, still quite sleepy. At any rate this is the only excuse that I have to offer for what happened to me.

As I stood by what I thought was my chair, awaiting the blessing, someone came up to me, tapped me lightly on the shoulder and a feminine voice said, "Am I at the wrong table?" This is my story, and I plan to stick to it.

It was only then that I realized I had made the wrong turn and had gone over to the girls' side of the dining room.

Really, I think most of us are very happy with the new arrangements, and eating in the food center has turned out to be a very pleasant thing.

Roger Smith
9th Grade

SCOUTING

Girl Scout News

On December 5th the Girl Scouts left for Camp Shanatuck for the weekend. It turned out to be a wet and rainy one.

We were welcomed by a friendly collie which we called Lassie.

Saturday we explored the camp. We crossed the creek by a swinging bridge. Those who were more adventurous tried crossing the "Monkey Bridge". It was made of strong rope hanging over the creek. The bridge sagged a little in the middle. It was a little scary, too, when the bridge started swaying.

Farther on, we came to a dam. Lassie decided to take a walk across the thin ice. She walked safely until she got a little too close to the dam where the ice was thinner. Splash! She fell through. When she got out, she gave us all a shower by shaking.

That night another troop invited us to a little party at their lodge. We had games and refreshments which were very enjoyable. Then we gathered around and sang some songs.

Sunday, we said goodbye to Lassie and reluctantly left camp.

We all agreed that it had been a great weekend and we hope to go back soon.

Deborah Preston
9th Grade

Boy Scout News

If you are the out door type, you would enjoy the things our scout troop has been doing this year. We had planned many activities but the weather has prevented some of them.

We have been on two hikes. One was a fifteen mile hike at Perryville, and the other was a nineteen mile hike on the Oxcart Trail.

We have had two advancements in rank this year. Darrel Buford has earned his Second Class badge and Kevin Bailey has gone from First Class to Star Scout.

For this spring, we also have two hikes and one camping trip planned. The hikes are the Lincoln Trail which is 37 miles long and the Clark County Memorial Trail is 21 miles long. The camping trip is going to be at Cedar More Park.

When you come to the PTA Carnival, you will find us working hard at the fish pond. We hope to see you there.

Terry Strader
20 9th Grade

Kysoc Teen Club

Almost fourteen years ago, a club for handicapped teenagers was formed. This club, like the camp, is sponsored by the Kentucky Society for Crippled Children. In fact, the members of the KYSOC Teen Club were the first people to visit camp KYSOC.

The two major events of a KYSOC Teen Club year are the annual birthday banquet and the two weekend trips to the Camp. The banquet is always held in March and is highlighted by the presentation of membership pins to new club members. The camp weekends are usually scheduled for October and May.

Other activities of the Club include such things as entertaining other teen clubs, having guest bands or special speakers at club meetings, and attending Toys for Tots shows.

The KYSOC Teen Club has few summer activities. Its regular meetings are held from October to June. Summer activities, if any, may consist of a trip to the Fairgrounds' Speedway in June and a ride on the Belle of Louisville in July.

Over the past two years, the KYSOC Teen Club has almost doubled in size. No matter how many people join the club, however, new members are always welcomed.

Charlotte Edwards
9th Grade and
Mary Lou Lacefield
12th Grade

SPORTS

In the seventh grade, I became interested in cheerleading. That year, I did a great deal of practicing and tried out when it was time to select the cheerleaders. It was not my time to be chosen.

I did not give up, but decided to try again the next year. Now I am a cheerleader and it surely is fun! I have more school spirit and feel that I am more a part of things.

This year we got new outfits and I think we like them much better than any we have ever had.

We have always had four regulars and two alternates on the squad, but this year we have six regulars and two alternates.

Although we received no trophy at the NCASB, I know our squad has worked well together and has had a very enjoyable year.

Georgia Deaton
9th Grade

NCASB Cheerleading

This year the NCASB Wrestling Tournament was held in Jacksonville, Illinois. The host school was the Illinois Braille and Sight Saving School. Besides Illinois and Kentucky, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, South Dakota, and Wisconsin also brought their cheerleaders. Each school brought a queen candidate who was a member of their cheerleading squad. Our queen candidate was Darlene Edmonson who did a very good job of representing us.

Cheering began Friday morning with each squad presenting two cheers and each queen candidate telling a little about herself at the Pep Rally.

Saturday morning we were all excited. Queen candidates and cheerleaders were in competition at this time. Each queen candidate performed one cheer, followed

by each squad giving two cheers. We were judged on voice quality, ability to perform, difficulty of cheers, variety of cheers, poise, neatness and appearance, and pep and enthusiasm.

Immediately after the competition, cheer clinic was held for all participating squads. The MacMurrey College cheerleaders were our teachers. we learned two cheers and as a reminder of our visit were presented with patches with a megaphone and the words, "NCASB Cheerleader. Illinois 1970."

The finals were held Saturday night. Before the wrestling started, trophies were presented to the Michigan cheerleaders who were runner-up in the cheerleading competition and to the first place cheerleaders, the Iowa squad. The queen's court which is made up of four girls was announced next. In order from 3rd runner-up to the new queen they were Kansas, Michigan, Illinois, and Karen Baldridge from Iowa. I would like to say again what a great job Darlene did of representing us.

Next year the NCASB is supposed to be in Ohio and I think most of us are already looking forward to it and all the fun that goes along with it. Linda Beatty

What It's Like To Be Queen Candidate

For the last two years I have been on the cheerleading squad. There were six girls who ran for queen candidate this year at K.S.B. We each had to give a speech and do a cheer. After we finished our cheer, the audience of students voted by secret ballot. The next day I found that I had been chosen Queen Candidate for the N.C.A.S.B. I was very proud to represent my school.

Thursday morning, January 29, we left for the North Central Association of Schools for the Blind Wrestling Tournament that was held in Jacksonville, Illinois. Friday there was a pep rally during which the queen candidate from each school gave her speech. After this we went to a tea where we met the sponsors from the different schools. Saturday morning I did my competition cheer. That night the winners were announced.

All weekend we were watched and judged on poise and personality. Although this was a lot of work, I enjoyed it very much. It was a great experience to be chosen queen candidate from our school.

Darlene Edmonson
25^{8th} Grade

Wrestling in Retrospect

Is wrestling over for me? This is the question Reni Jackson asked himself after he took second place at 175 pound class in the state tournament. He was the only wrestler on our team who made it to the state tournament, which was held at Jeffersontown High School. He took first place in the regional tournament and was very pleased. Reni also took first in the Falls City Invitational tournament which was held in New Albany, Indiana. There was very keen competition in this tournament this year and we were all proud of Reni. His record this year was 24 and 2. This was the best record that he had ever had and one of the best at KSB for a long time.

Since Reni is a senior this year he won't be back with us next year. I don't know what his future plans are for wrestling, but I am sure he has made some. We all hate to see him leave, because he has always been the kick of the team.

The team didn't do as well this year as we wanted to do, but we still did something. We took runner-up in the NCASB wrestling tournament. There were two boys

who placed in this tournament. Reni took first in the 175 pound class and I took second in the 115 pound class.

Now that our regular wrestling season is over for this year there has been an intramural program set up for those boys in the 8th grade or under who wish to wrestle. These young boys enjoy wrestling and many of us enjoy helping them.

Ronald Cook
11th Grade

SPRING '70
For Boys and Girls Alike
"It's What's In"

Bright colors are in this spring! Everything's patriotic with its red, white and blue. Throughout the nation, lavender and purple are rather popular, but a local consultant seems to think it will not catch on here in Louisville.

Have you heard that dresses are getting longer? Well, girls, everything goes when it comes to length this year! You have your choice of a maxi which reaches to the floor or a midi which comes to the mid-calf. The mini is from two to six inches above the knee and the micro-mini

is eight inches above the knee.

This is the year for the "long look" and the low pleats. The costume dress is "in." This is a dress with a coat of the same length to match it. The popularity of suits is out--now it's long jackets.

Long chain jewelry and scarves are a big thing this year. The scarves can be worn around the neck or around the waist to serve as belts.

Coat dresses are in and the "blouson effect" is quite popular! This is a one-piece outfit with blouse fitted over dirndl skirt.

Shoes come in all styles this spring. They range from the wide heels to the ballet slippers. Tapered and pointed toes are a trend unanimous for the coming fall when sueded shoes will return.

What's in for the boys this spring? Bell bottoms, wide ties, and suits with wide lapels are the things.

Men and boys' suits take on tapered looks with contoured waistlines. Two-button closing and six-buttoned double breasted suits are it. The lapels are wider and the colors are from medium to dark shades. The side vents in the coats have now gone into

deep center vents in the back. The suit fabrics are textured.

The ties take on a flowered pattern and provincial prints.

As for the coming fall, shirts will have the bright bold stripe effect and boys' blazers will return in all their glory in solid colors.

Brenda Richardson
10th Grade

WITH THE FAMILY IN MIND

Papaw

Even though Papaw was only my step-grandfather, he was probably the closest person to me after my immediate family.

When I was little I thought of him as a jolly man. I loved to hear him play his mandolin or just sit by him as he helped me to play it.

It was once a common belief of mine that any individual older than myself knew practically everything and Papaw was no exception. One night I spent a couple of happy hours with him while my family was away from home. It was on this summer

night that I learned that policemen would get very angry if they heard you call them a "cop." Papaw loved children and was excellent in getting his message through to them.

When I was seven, my parents had to go to Chicago so they left Billy, my brother and me with my grandmother and Papaw was a great storyteller. I would delight in hearing him tell of invisible people who could go through doors without being seen.

He died from heart trouble when I was nine. My father recalls his last words to him as being: "I'll see you tomorrow," but he died that night. At that time, his death to me was something unexplainable. Now, however, I cannot picture him as being dead. He lives on in my memory as a simple man who helped me to have many pleasant and memorable childhood experiences.

June Jackson
10th Grade

The Generation Gap

Is the so-called generation gap really a generation gap, a communications gap, or some other kind of social barrier? Has

this gap always existed? It is always confined to the relationship between parents and teen-agers? Would it remain such a problem if it were given less publicity?

I think the generation gap is really a communications gap. Some young people say that they can talk to, but not understand their parents or agree with their ideals.

The communications gap is often widened by the publicity given to the cases of juvenile delinquency. Many adults often forget about the high percentage of civic-minded teen-agers.

I do not believe the communications gap is confined to the relationship of parents and teen-agers. Two young people of approximately the same age may have very different opinions and moral standards.

Some people say, "It's just this generation." Others believe the "generation gap" would be much smaller if there were less publicity about it. I think that until a great deal of the violence shown on television is eliminated, this will become an even greater problem.

LuAnn Holloway

9th Grade

Yourself as a Parent

If you are a parent, you know what a task it is to rear your child to be a well prepared parent for his or her child.

One of the most important roles a parent should play in rearing a child is setting a good example. The boy or girl may possibly feel capable of helping other people and setting good examples for them when he is an adult.

You would also give your child the feeling of security by loving and praising him. Communicate your love to the child and just the small things you do with him or for him will give him a feeling of being loved.

Discipline is another important duty. We must learn to live with all kinds of people during our lives and we should learn to cope with different situations.

Debbie Huggins
10th Grade

ON THE PLUS SIDE OF SCHOOL

Dormitory Life

Many people criticize the life we live

at the dormitories here. They say we aren't free to do enough.

We aren't free to do just anything we desire, but would we be if we were home?

I think that not having all the freedom you desire is just part of being a teenager, or should I say part of life? I like dormitory life very much, and wish more people felt the same.

Roger Smith

9th Grade

Grades and The Student

I have always wanted to be a good student, make the Honor Roll, and be the best in my class; but, it seems that so many students just do not care. They brag when they fail an exam, don't study, or get points taken off for sleeping, chewing gum, or talking in class. They think it is cute to throw paper wads and say silly things when the teacher does not hear.

What is happening to these students? The majority of students who made the Honor Roll in the seventh, eighth, and ninth grades seem to lose all interest in the tenth. They think it is "square" to be intelligent and to study.

I think it is really sad to see good students not doing a thing and not caring. I think the best thing to do is for all of us to study and work just as hard as we can. Someday it may be too late.

Linda Beatty
10th Grade

PROSE AND POETRY

Spring is Here

It's that time of year;
Spring will soon be here.
Leaves are growing on the trees.
You can hear the buzzing of the bees.

Grass will be growing,
And the wind will be blowing.
Birds are winging,
And bees are singing.

Joe Martin
Intermediate C

Spring

March is here;
Spring is near.
The birds begin to sing;
The flowers begin to wake.
What happiness they bring,
As the dawn begins to break.

David Jackson
Intermediate C

Freshmen Limericks

There once was a time I was crazy,
I guess you could say I was lazy.
But that's in the past;
I've wised up at last,
And now my outlook ain't so hazy.

--Tom Scoggins

A lady who ate like a hog,
Who sat all day on a log,
One day about eight
She thought she'd lose weight,
But she couldn't resist leg of frog.

--Roger Smith

There once was an old man named Nills,
Whose hobby was climbing up hills.
But one day he fell
down deep in a well;
Now hill-climbing Nills has the chills.

--Kathy Johnson

I have a sister named Linda Sue
And if she knew what she though she knew,
All records she'd be winning,
The world would stop spinning,
At NASA she'd be chief of crew.

--Janice Willis

There was a boy named Tommy.
Who always cried for his Mommy.
He decided one day
That he would run away,
Cuz Mommy was gonna spank Tommy.

-- Deborah Preston

My Radio - "Turn Me Off!"

"Click!" I heard as I turned up the volume knob on my radio.

"What?" I asked in surprise.

"It's me. How would you like to be turned on all night and not be able to turn yourself off!"

"Well, usually, when I'm turned on, I don't like to be turned off until I'm ready."

"Well, I do, so quit leaving me on. How would you like to have your wires threaten to go on strike?"

"I've never had the experience but I don't think I'd like it."

"Then, why do you do it to me: leave me on, I mean?"

"Well, last night I forgot to turn you off because I was tired and had a headache."

"You always forget. Besides, you don't even seem to appreciate me very much or to show consideration for my feelings."

"I do appreciate you. I just don't know how to show it."

"You could dust me off once in a while."

"All right," I promised as I left for school.

When I came home from school that afternoon, I imagined I heard voices coming from my room. This seemed strange because I thought the rest of the family was in the kitchen.

"Crack! Crack! " said the radio as I entered the room. "Your promises don't mean much."

LuAnn Holloway
9th Grade

The Lid's Off

Hello, I am your trash can. I'm sorry if I startled you by just speaking out like that, but I think that it's about time you started to take a little more notice of me.

Have you ever thought about all the things I do for you? Why, if it weren't for me, your bedroom would be a mess! I sometimes hear you complain when your mother scolds you for having an untidy room, so imagine what she'd say if I weren't around! You'd have a hard time finding things and getting around your room, too.

I have many difficulties you probably don't even think about. I wish you would

empty me more often. Sometimes I get full, just as you do when you eat too much. This can cause a most unpleasant sensation. I also dislike being hit on the bottom every time I am emptied just to make sure there is no trash left in me. I'd be much happier if you'd remember to replace my lid after using and emptying me. Finally, I would appreciate an occasional friendly hello and pat on the lid once in a while.

Yes, even though my place in the world is rather small, I think I deserve an occasional bit of attention. Don't you?

Donna Wheeler
9th Grade

A Pencil-Sharp Eavesdropper

I suppose no one would like to be in my place. You see, I am a pencil sharpener. Now, that, in itself, is not very exciting but after I have told my story, you may change your mind.

You probably know me. I'm the pencil sharpener in the study hall. Just between you and me, I wouldn't be happy anywhere else. From there, you can see and hear a

little of everything that goes on around school--everything from the names on the honor roll to who's going with whom. So I keep sharp keeping up with everybody else's business.

Few people use me, so I spend most of my time listening to the conversations around me. If I were to tell you some of the things I've heard, you could hardly keep from laughing. If you are one of those who thinks that study hall is dull, this may make you change your mind.

My place in the room is most convenient for observation. I hang from one of the bookcases in the corner. From that angle, I can see most of the room and also out the window. I've seen a lot out that window, too.

As you may agree, we pencil sharpeners don't have it so bad after all. And another thing, I wouldn't trade places with a human being for anything.

Tommy Scoggins
9th Grade

At The Point of Death

A pretty, young girl ran to her brother who was lying on the ground with a slashed throat. Unfortunately, she was too late to be of any help. Suddenly, without warning, she was seized by the back of the neck. The last thing she remembered was the feel of a knife blade cutting deep into her throat. Luther Kent threw her body and the body of her brother into a nearby yard, left the dark alley, and returned to his home.

Luther didn't remember when or why he had started killing, but in order to preserve his security, he was forced to kill again and again and again. Now he had murdered three people, and the thought of this chilled him to the depths of his soul.

Later that evening when he went to the kitchen to get a drink it dawned on him that he was being watched. He cast a furtive glance toward the kitchen window, and was petrified when he saw three figures staring at him. He knew too well who they were. He almost screamed when he saw a victorious grin on their ghastly faces. As suddenly as they appeared, they disappeared, leaving him rooted to the floor.

Naturally, he thought he was imagining things, and tried to shake it off, concluding that it was his imagination. When he went back to bed, he saw the figures again. But this time he observed that they had an exact duplicate of the knife he had killed them with. Two young men and one girl were on the inside of the house, advancing slowly toward the bed.

Mike King
8th Grade

Advice Not Taken

Johnny was walking in the woods one day, taking in the beauty of the trees and flowers. Feeling tired, he sat on a stump to rest. He had not been sitting there long before he heard a twig pop. Thinking it was a bird flying overhead, he paid little attention to it. Hearing it again, he looked up but did not see anything. While still scanning the skies, looking for the bird, he felt something cold and wet against his hand. Johnny thought he had brushed some bushes still wet from the morning dew. Feeling it again, he looked

down and saw a little gray ball with some black on it. It was soft and the black was a little mask covering a small face. It was a raccoon. Taking the animal up in his arms, he started on his way home. On the way home, he tried to think of a name for his pet. He decided to name him Bandit because of the black mask.

In the house, Johnny found his mother and told the story to her. She agreed that it was a nice pet but it would be hard to tame since it was wild.

Johnny worked hard training his friend. Soon they became very close. This friendship, however, did not last. One day as Johnny reached for Bandit, he was bitten. He was stunned and hurt. He was not sure if it was the bite that hurt him or his feelings. That night, Johnny took Bandit back to his home in the woods. Although he cried, he felt that he had done the right thing.

Kevin Bailey
10th Grade

BOOK BRIEFS

Jean and Johnny
by
Beverly Cleary

Many changes come about in a girl's life during her fifteenth year. One person often does a great deal in causing these changes.

Johnny came and Johnny went--and, after that, Jean Garret's life was not quite the same.

This book is fictional and has a surprise ending.

Donna Wheeler
9th Grade

Born Free
by Joy Adamson

From Africa comes a wonderful story of an association between man and wild beast. Joy Adamson is the wife of a game warden in Kenya. A few years ago her husband was called out to deal with a man-eating lion. while hunting the lion, he was attacked by a lioness, which he shot in self defense.

He found her cubs nearby and decided to take one of them for a pet.

They soon had the problem of getting rid of a fully grown lion. They either had to give her to a zoo or free her.

The Adamsons had thought about this and worked out a solution. They began training their lioness Elsa to kill and do for herself.

They succeeded in turning her back into the wild animal Nature had intended her to be. Even so, she never lost the confidence and affection which she established with them as a pet.

Born Free recently was seen on TV and enjoyed by many people. I have thoroughly enjoyed this book and would recommend it to anyone.

Deborah Preston
9th Grade

Belles on their Toes

Frank B. Gilbreth, Jr. and Ernestine
Gilbreth Carey

Anyone who has ever read Cheaper by the Dozen will remember Frank and Lillian Gilbreth and their twelve children. With a family that size, it was indeed

fortunate that both parents were experts in motion study, the science of getting the best possible results with the least possible effort.

The last chapter of this book tells of the unexpected death of Mr. Gilbreth. His wife is left with the responsibility for the maintenance of two large houses, several outstanding debts, and the rearing and education of their eleven remaining children. The story of how these ends are accomplished is told in Belles on their Toes.

Many people today consider five children a large family. Mothers, imagine yourselves responsible for eleven children, a cranky (but lovable) Irish hired man, and various and sundry kinds of pets and livestock. The sum of all this, plus a little scientific know-how, equals good times for all (most of the time).

In these days of serious psychological and sociological literature, this heart-warming, humorous, and very human story of life in a big family furnishes a refreshing change of pace. It has no plot and little or no moral, unless we consider the old saying that "Truth is stranger than fiction" but it will make you smile.

My Antonia
by
Willa Cather

My Antonia is a reminiscent account of Jim Burden's boyhood friendship with Antonia, a hard-working girl from a proud, though somewhat misguided, family of Bohemian immigrants. Antonia lives a life of self-sacrificing drudgery with only an occasional bit of real fun. Jim Burden finds her, after many years and much disappointment, an unforgettable friend and one who really enjoys life.

My Antonia gives a straight forward picture of life for Bohemian immigrants in Nebraska--their attitudes toward each other in domestic, financial, and social matters. It reasserts the classic truths that (1) no one can say what will happen to someone else; (2) people are easily misjudged; (3) one never forgets his happiest childhood experiences; and (4) bad luck and hard work often tend to make one a more compassionate person.

Mary Lou Lacefield
12th Grade

Up The Down Staircase
by
Bel Kaufman

Up The Down Staircase is a delightful satire about the problems a young school teacher faces when she sets out to teach English at a New York City high School.

Miss Sylvia Barrett, a newcomer to Calvin Coolidge High School, was not aware of the problems she would meet until she walked into Room 304, all prepared to teach English. To add to her difficulties, she found it almost impossible to keep up with the deluge of bulletins she received from the office regarding this, disregarding that, announcing this, and denouncing that. She found her English teaching position was abruptly changing to that of bookkeeping.

Her "intraschool communication" with other teachers helped her to become accustomed to the habits of the students and administration. In time, she learned to ignore the notices and to reply only to her more immediate demands.

The book, I think, was very amusing and written in a way so the reader could feel a part of the actual situation.

MUSIC NOTES

Chorus News

This year the senior chorus has planned many exciting activities. One of these was "The Grasshopper," an operetta we performed in an all-school assembly in October. The audience reaction was, to say the least, gratifying. The next month we performed this same operetta for a church group.

December was a busy month for chorus members. On December 1, two groups from the chorus, with the addition of Diane Jennings, went to sing for the Monogram Wives. After the performance the music department was presented with a Harmony guitar. Then came the annual Christmas program, first performed in a local church and then at the annual Christmas Cantata. After the cantata chorus members plus other interested students and teachers went caroling about the neighborhood. Then it was back to the gym for refreshments.

Kathy Johnson and
Charlotte Edwards
9th Grade

Record Reviews

Simon and Garfunkel have done it again with a delightful, variety-filled set of songs. "Bridge Over Troubled Water" is an entertaining album, filled with the lyrics and melodies which are characteristic only of Simon and Garfunkel. It includes such favorites as "Bridge Over Troubled Water," "Bye-bye Love," and "The Boxer," and is available on Columbia.

"Abbey Road," the first Beatle album for 1970, is a popular music mixture of old and new sound. It includes such numbers as "Come Together," "Something," and "Maxwell's Silver Hammer." You will find it on the Apple label.

For soul fans, Otis Redding's "Love Man" album on Atlantic is one you shouldn't miss. It contains his last three single hits, "Higher and Higher," "Lover's Question," and the title song "Love Man," plus nine more late recordings. Here we get a sample of the many moods of this versatile performer. Each song is delivered with that inimitable flare and feeling which made him one of soul's greats.

For those who like country music, MGM has just released two new albums which are really something special. The first

is "Hank Williams, Jr., Live at Cobo Hall." Anyone who has seen this six-foot-three-inch bundle of energy and talent in action knows he is one of the most exciting and dynamic performers in country music today. You'll enjoy this album, cut live in Detroit's Cobo Hall, just as much as did each of the twenty-four thousand spectators. Then there's "We Remember Hank Williams," a collection of some of Hank's best numbers as recalled instrumentally by the men who helped make them famous, the Drifting Cowboys. For those who remember this all-time great performer at his peak, and even for those of us who don't, this record should provide quite a sound experience.

--The Editorial Staff

LIVING THEATER

Rapunzel and the Witch

On Friday, February 27, we went to the Louisville Children's Theater production of "Rapunzel and the Witch."

After the play we were able to meet the cast. All of the performers took a bow and were applauded, but when the witch took her bow she was booed.

Joe Martin
51 Intermediate C

An Afternoon at the Theater

It seems to be an American tradition to dislike Shakespeare. He wrote for the Elizabethan adult audience, therefore, it is difficult for students today to understand his meaning.

We were fortunate indeed to be able to see one of Shakespeare's finest tragedies, Hamlet, performed almost as it must have been done in the Elizabethan era.

Everyone enjoyed the Grave Digger's Scene (believe it or not, it was hilarious)) Also, the famous soliloquy, "To be or not to be...", took on new meaning as we heard it done live.

We along with the other students, sincerely thank all those who made this theater party possible. We hope there will be other such opportunities to see performances of works by the world's great playwrights.

Teddy Lisle
12th Grade and
Virgil Richie
11th Grade

ATLANTA ENRICHMENT AND CAREER DAY PROGRAM

I am sure that most of us at KSB remember the Career Day Conference conducted here late last year. It seemed to be successful in many respects, and it was well-attended.

A similar program of enrichment and career activities was held at Woodward Academy, in College Park, Georgia, beginning on Wednesday, March 11, and ending with a closing general meeting and lunch on Saturday, March 14. The main difference between this recent program and ours of last year was that the career conference in Georgia was preceded by enrichment tours of some of the more famous resorts of Atlanta. The group representing KSB was composed of 26 people, including both students and adults. Most of the students were junior and seniors, but two sophomores and one freshman were also included. The accompanying adults were Mr. Davis, Mr. Evans, Mr. Johnson, Mr. McDowell, Mrs. Frith, and Mrs. Sanders.

Besides KSB, other schools for visually handicapped people were represented, including West Virginia, Virginia,

Tennessee, Alabama, North and South Carolina, Florida, Georgia, and visually impaired students enrolled in Atlanta public schools. The total number of blind students in Atlanta public schools is about 300, because of a special program arranged for them.

The enrichment program included tours of resorts such as the Atlanta Braves' Stadium, the Atlanta Raceway, the zoo, the science museum, the computer center, the Communicable Disease Center, and several others. It is my opinion that there could have been no better method of introducing the career conference than to precede it with some of the resources of education and amusement in the area.

The actual career program was similar to the one held at KSB, composed of general meetings and individual discussion groups, including the same general areas of occupation that were discussed here. The Atlanta program was on a much larger scale since there were about 400 people present, representing many schools.

It is surely safe to say that the career and enrichment program was a great success for almost any area of occupation could

have been discussed. Most of those who attended it would probably agree that it was worth the time and expense to become acquainted with the many jobs and professions open to visually handicapped people.

Barry Cooper
11th Grade

LIBRARY NOTES

During the past few years -1966-68- the Library borrowed several collections of tactual materials from people in the Louisville area who graciously offered the loan of interesting items for monthly exhibits. They included such varied things as shells; Indian artifacts; items from Japan and Switzerland; scale models in the area of transportation; art objects; cloth from raw material to finished product; stuffed birds and animals.

Then last summer the permanent tactual collection for KSB was inaugurated with the arrival of twenty six stuffed birds, animals, reptiles and fish purchased from a taxidermist in North Carolina. There

was a great deal of excitement the day they arrived. Several members of the faculty had been looking forward to the establishment of a permanent collection of touch-and-learn materials. These became the nucleus of that collection. The birds and animals and other items from the natural sciences are of prime importance but material from many other areas will also be needed. It is hoped that we can add many scale models in all areas of instruction and commonly used items from other countries and from our own past to eventually meet the needs of knowledge through actual contact with the many things that they can not otherwise enjoy and appreciate.

A FINAL TRIBUTE

Our older readers will be saddened to learn of the passing of Miss Lydia Scoggan on February 10, 1970.

Miss Lydia (as she was called in deference to southern tradition) joined the teaching staff of the Kentucky School for the Blind in 1905. In 1934 she became Principal of the school, although she

continued to teach on a full-time basis. In 1946 she gave up her position as Principal and devoted her time exclusively to teaching until her retirement in 1952.

This writer was in school during the later years of Miss Lydia's tenure, and her teaching was interesting and informative. Regardless of how slow a student's progress might be, she was always patient with him as long as he worked to capacity. Inattentiveness and slipshod work were not tolerated, however, and it would have been unthinkable for a student to have come to class without his homework.

As Principal, Miss Lydia was looked upon with awe and a certain amount of fear, if one had violated any of the school's regulations. Miss Lydia administered much of the discipline and there were rumors that she had an electric paddle, although we never saw it.

Even though Miss Lydia demanded respect and absolute obedience, she enjoyed life and knew how to entertain young people. She and her sisters lived in a large house, to which we were invited on Halloween and during the Christmas season. The Halloween parties were delightfully scary, and the

Christmas festivities were imaginative and enhanced by an abundance of good things to eat.

Possibly the most outstanding characteristic which Miss Lydia possessed was complete and selfless dedication to her work. Her vocabulary contained no educational jargon to disguise a lack of knowledge. She thoroughly understood every subject which she taught and knew the capabilities of each of the students in her classes. Consequently, she was an amazingly successful teacher.

Her administrative duties as Principal were assumed with the same zeal and dedication. There was never a time when any person under her jurisdiction was in doubt about what his responsibilities were or where he was expected to be at a given time.

We are unable to pay adequate tribute to the lady who influenced so many of our lives, but all who knew her will always remember her selflessness, intelligence, and natural dignity.

Imogene Bradley
Teacher

ALUMNI NEWS

Dear Alumni Members,

The dates for the 1970 alumni reunion are June 12th through June 14th and plans are now being made for an enjoyable weekend. As soon as these plans are completed, you will receive a letter giving you the full details if we have your correct address. Let all of us try to make this the best attended reunion ever.

The Alumni has sent two floral arrangements, one of grief and one of celebration. In December, we sent a planter to Judge and Mrs. Gortney in celebration of their fiftieth wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Gortney, we wish you many more happy returns.

On February 10th while shopping, Miss Lydia Scoggans suffered a fatal heart attack. I know we all have a lot of warm and wonderful memories of this wonderful person and I also know there is nothing that I can say at this time to add to your personal memories of her. Let us all share our memories at the reunion. If any of you want to feel as if you have had a personal part in these two floral arrangements, you

can send your contributions to Artie Collins, 2553 Sycamore Ave. Louisville, Kentucky 40206.

Congratulations go to Mr. and Mrs. Don Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Barnes and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Dickerson. On January 17th Mrs. Franklin gave birth to a baby daughter. They named her Patricia Michelle. We also want to extend congratulations to Michelle's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dotson. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Barnes's baby daughter, Lara Beth, arrived on January 27th. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Dickerson became the proud parents of Pamela Fay Dickerson on March 15th. Again, we say congratulations to all three couples.

Let us all be together at the reunion June 12th through the 14th. I will see you then.

Ed Wommack

